

MADAGASCAR INFORMATION:

VISAS AND IMMIGRATION : Everyone have to apply entry visa with valid passport (at least six months and handed round trip air ticket) . One month visa entry is free of charge. And this can be obtained at your arrival at the airport in Antananarivo . You do not need any pictures for it. If you are planning to stay over three months it is compulsory to apply for the visa in advance at the nearest Malagasy embassy near you.

CLIMATE : Madagascar has several climatic zones depending on the altitude and location. In general, the climate goes from humid tropical to semi-arid, with a rainy season from Mid of November to beginning of April and a dry one the rest of the year. The best time to visit Madagascar is from **May till mid of November .**

HEALTH : Vaccinations are not compulsory, but we recommend you to bring an anti malarial treatment, mosquito repellents and sun cream. Don't drink from taps. Brush teeth with bottled water also.

ANTI – MALARIA : Precautions are recommended for all tours and clients are advised to bring insect repellent and a malaria prophylaxis.

EQUIPEMENT : Take only bags that travel along easily in small planes. If you come from a central European country you do not need any special electricity plugs.

Clothing : Take a long sleeved T-Shirt for the evening as protection against the mosquitoes and the coldness in the highlands. A thin pareo is fine as a towel on the beach. Do not forget plastic shoes for when you go swimming and be careful not to step on sea urchins. Take also a light rain jacket for the rain in the Eastern coast, though thanks to the hot weather clothes dry quickly. Good walking shoes are essential for tracking tours.

Medical Supplies :

- Injection needles
- Medication against diarrhea
- Medication against dehydration
- Anti mosquito stuff (mosquito net)
- Efficient sun cream (sun protection and mosquitoes repellents are much more expensive in Madagascar)
- A lotion against swollen legs/feet during long flights
- Malaria pills

Photo Equipment : Take extra batteries for camera's and all the film you think you need.

ELECTRICAL POWER :

Electrical current is 220 volts AC, 50Hz. plugs are generally two-pin. Power blackouts are usual so take a torch with you. In rural areas there is still no electricity, so that most hotels operate an own generator, which runs normally in the late afternoon and in the early morning.